Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research, National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences and the other States/Union Territories; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). The Delhi University has intimated that the Faculty of Medical Sciences have uniformly decided that it was against the idea of any reservation in post-graduation. However, the candidates belonging to SC/ST categories are given a weightage of 20 marks in the screening test for ranking them in the merit list for purposes of their selection to the course concerned. However, the matter has again been taken up with the concerned authorities to see that Delhi University, strictly follow the UGC guidelines concerning filling up of SC/ST seats in accordance with the prescribed percentage in the post-graduate medical education.

'Save Goa' Campaign

1104. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to news-item captioned, "campaign launched in UK to 'save Goa' appearing in the Times of India dated February 6 1992;

(b) if so, the fact thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the number of industrial and mining projects cleared by the Government in Goa during the last one year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Central Laboratory Facility at AIIMS

1105. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for a Central Laboratory Facility at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences has been pending with the Union Government;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No. Sir. AIIMS hospital has a Department of Laboratory Medicine consisting of Clinical Chemistry, Haematology; Fluid & Excretion Lab; Emergency Laboratory; O.P.D. Specimen Collection Centre. The demand of the Society of Young Scientists working on different schemes and projects of AIIMS have been referred to AIIMS authorities.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Survey of Balrajgarh in Bihar

1106. SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Archaeological survey of India has surveyed Balrajgarh, an old historical place in Madhubani district of Bihar.

(b) whether there is any proposal to under take excavation work in that area and also to develop it as a tourist spot; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) The ancient site at Balrajgarh in Madhubani district, Bihar had already been excavated by the Archaeological Survey of India during season 1962-63 and by the Department of Archaeology, Government of Bihar during the seasons 1972-73, 1974-75 establishing the antiquity of the site from the 2nd century B.C. to Pala period.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Assistance for Bird Hospital

1107. SHRI RAJNATH SONAR SHASTRI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to give financial assistance for setting up of a bird hospital in Uttar Pradesh to protect the birds, especially the migratory ones;

(b) whether a large number of migratory birds are found injured near Hindon river; and

(c) if so, the action being taken to protect these birds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Central Government.

(b) and (c). Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Deforestation in Nagaland

1108. SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI:
SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large scale deforestation has taken place in Nagaland between 1982 and 1987 and the process is still going on ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) State Government of Nagaland have informed that no large scale deforestation has taken place in Nagaland between 1982 to 1987.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Land Management Corporation

1109. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:
SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a Land Management Corporation with equity participation in a bid to raise resources for financing Eighth Plan Programme for expansion and modernisation of Railways;

(b) if so, the main features of the plan and the area of railway land to be made viable asset;

(c) the area of idle land in Karnataka to be made viable; and

(d) the total area of surplus railway land and the area out of it under unauthorised occupation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.